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OLIGOMERIC SILANE FOR RENDERING SUBSTRATES OIL AND WATER
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INTRODUCTION

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, dated December 23, 2005, in the above-identified application wherein claims 1-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 5,980,992 (Kistner) in view of the *Polymer Science Dictionary* (Alger); claims 14-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 5,276,175 (Dams); claims 1-11 and 14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 4,886,862 (Kuwamura et al.); claim 1 was rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claim 7 of U.S. Patent No. 6,649,272 (Moore et al.); claim 17 was provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claim 1 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/053,001; and claim 1 was provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claim 4 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/745,003.

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- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(2) - Extension within second month
- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) - Extension within third month
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(4) - Extension within fourth month.

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